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**EL SALVADOR**  
**CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTORS**

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### **EL SALVADOR - 8. Conscientious Objectors**

Includes material on legal standing of conscientious objection in El Salvador's Constitution and law, international documents relating to conscientious objection, affidavits from religious and secular individuals, and articles related to treatment of conscientious objectors.

#### **El Salvador -*Conscientious Objectors***

"Court Says 2 Salvadorans Due Asylum," The Recorder, 25 April 1990

"Jose Roberto Canas-Segovia; Oscar Iban Canas-Segovia, petitioners v. INS," decision by the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, filed April 24, 1990

"Swords into Ploughshares: Why the United States Should Provide Refuge to Young Men Who Refuse to Bear Arms for Reasons of Conscience," San Diego Law Review, 1989 (by Karen Musalo)

"Religious Prohibition Against Killing Led Salvadoran to Neutral Political Opinion in Civil Conflict; Asylum Granted," Update, 20 September 1989

"Ninth Circuit Grants Withholding to Salvadoran Jehovah's Witness Draft Resisters," Interpreter Releases, 30 April 1990

"Salvadoran Says Military Covers Up Torture Evidence," National Catholic Reporter, 16 December 1988

"Recent Decision," Interpreter Releases, 7 October 1988

"Salvadoran Draft Resister Ruled Eligible for Asylum," Washington Post, 13 October 1988 (ISLA 1996)

#### **Conscientious Objector Documentation Packet from Karen Musalo includes the following information:**

Summary of Contents

- Constitution of El Salvador, Article 215 (in Spanish & English)
- Conscientious Objection to Military Service, United Nations report, 1983
- Letter from the Library of Congress, January 1986

Letter from UNHCR representative Joachim Henkel and attachment: "Determination of Status".

Letter from Jim Tom Haynes, UNHCR legal advisor

Bureau of Immigration Appeals decision: re Noory (11 December 1985) will be sent with TPC update

Bureau of Immigration Appeals decision: re Momen (6 November 1985) will be sent with TPC update

Partial list of cases in the San Francisco district in which political asylum was granted on the basis of conscientious objector status

U.S. State Dept. advisory letter

"Handbook on Procedures and Criteria for Determining Refugee Status," paragraphs 167-174

Affidavit of Jose Garcia Guevara

Declaration of Rene Guerra y Guerra

Declaration of Sister Maureen Duignan

Declaration of Charles L. Clements, M.D

Declaration of Secundino Ramirez

"After Parades and Promises, Duarte Flounders in Salvador," New York Times, 15 February 1987

"Military Round-up in El Salvador," In These Times, 14 January 1987

"Refugees Fear of Persecution Subject to Double Standard," Christian Science Monitor, 14 August 1986

Declaration of Father Andrew J. Christiansen, S.J. and attachment, "The Challenge of Peace: God's Promise and Our Response, a Pastoral Letter on War and Peace".

**Information from Centro Presente's Documents on Conscientious Objection (5190) was also used for this Packet**